



THE RIVER CATHOLIC

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday, 8am-3pm
(closed 12- 1pm for lunch)
Friday, 8am-12pm

PASTOR:

Reverend Charles R. Landry

DEACON:

Kirk Duplantis

SECRETARIES:

Myra G. Tircuit
Barbara V. Hornstein

CONFESSION

First Saturday, 3:15pm.&
by appointment

VIGIL MASS

Saturday, 4pm.

SUNDAY MASS

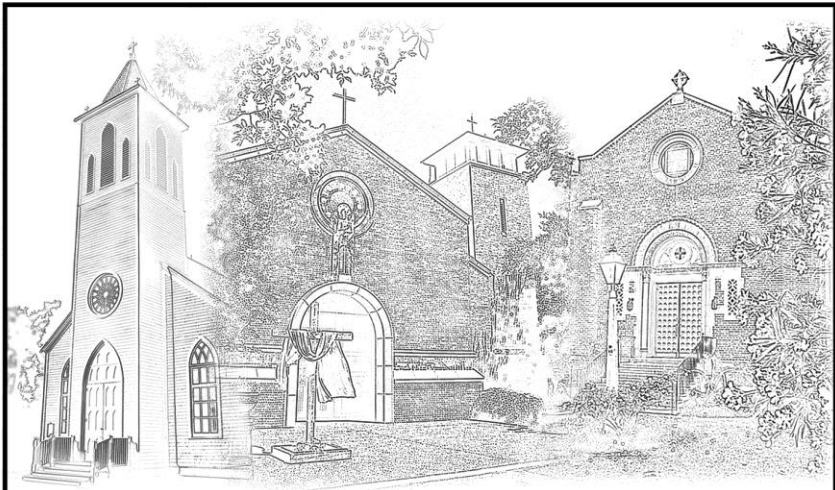
Sunday, 8am & 10am
Presently no mass @ Carville

DAILY MASS

Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday, 8am

HOLY DAY MASSES

8am & 7pm



OLD
ST. GABRIEL
CHURCH
(1769)



NEW
ST. GABRIEL
CHURCH
(1953)



SACRED
HEART
CHAPEL
(1935)

We, the St. Gabriel family in Christ, through the teachings of the Catholic Church, commit ourselves to the fulfillment of the kingdom of God. In our church community we make present the spirit of Jesus Christ, proclaim His gospel, and make visible His church. We believe that each of us is called to ministry to be of service to others to encourage participation to bring a spirit of family unity and responsibility to our fellow parishioners, and to show our love through our words and deeds.

BAPTISM: Parents wishing to have their child baptized must be registered parishioners and complete baptismal preparation prior to the date of baptism. Please contact the church office during the early days of pregnancy for details on baptismal preparation.

MARRIAGE: Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the date desired to begin the mandatory Preparation program.

CARE OF THE SICK: Emergency calls are made as soon as the priest is available. If desired, communion may be brought to the homebound each weekend by a Eucharistic Minister. Families are asked to contact the Church Office to make arrangements. Communion Calls to the homebound are the first Friday of the month. Please contact the Church Office in regard to those who are seriously ill or hospitalized, leaving the hospital and room number.

FUNERALS & BURIAL: The family must make arrangements with the Pastor before finalizing arrangements with a funeral home.

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE	219
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$7,975.66
AMOUNT COLLECTED	\$4,932.00
NUMBER OF DONATIONS	56

The weekend of 10/17-18, the 2 envelopes are reg. & Prop. of Faith. Your weekly donations help meet our immediate needs, repairs and improvements. We thank all who give of their time, talent and treasure to our parish community. We always appreciate your generosity.

A grape vineyard is a highly specialized kind of farm. The plants produce vines that can reach up to 56 feet (about 17 meters). Unless pruned most of the growth goes into vines and tendril branches. The farmer trims the plant and cuts the most fruitful branches. These are transferred to other vines and grafted into them.

Centuries ago the plants were cultivated by Egyptians and Babylonians. In Israel they had to be protected by armed guards from watchtowers. A thorn hedge prevented outsiders from stealing the grapes at harvest time. The grapes were crushed by feet in pits dug in the ground.

The bible compares the people of Israel with a vine taken from Egypt and cultured by God. Isaiah prophesies that God has found little fruit in his "vineyard" except for wild, bitter grapes.

Jesus makes a chilling prophecy to the religious leaders of his day. God had entrusted them with the care of his people--"his vineyard." He describes their ancestors' brutal treatment of the prophets. False prophets had been hailed, but true speakers for God had been beaten and killed. Now God sends his divine Son. Knowing that they will reject him too, he bluntly tells them that they will lose all.

He quotes verse 22 of Psalm 118. It refers to stone cutting. Builders cut blocks from quarries and preferred to have straight edges. Occasionally it might crack unevenly and be useless for normal purposes. It could prove valuable, though, as a cornerstone. If the ground were uneven, the off-edge stone might fit exactly for this special purpose. The psalmist is saying that God has a way of using things and people who do not seem to fit by human standards. The Lord is able to interpret people quite differently.

Jesus was crucified on a rock-- Calvary--that had been rejected because of an earthquake. The cross is the foundation of the Church.

Could others be rejected for leadership failure?



TOGETHER WE CAN!

Please join us for Eucharistic adoration every Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. ending with a benediction. Every Tuesday from 7 to 8 p.m. we have an Hour of Prayer for our country, please join us in prayers for the Social and racial Harmony for our country. Also we are in need of adorers during the day from 3 to 4 p.m. please contact Deacon Kirk if you are interested thanks and God bless!

The Rel Ed Group Gathering for October will be Oct. 26, Monday at 6:30 p.m. in either the church or the PAC.

Please remember no online mass this week.

May you continue to experience the peace of God and may you give to others that same sense of peace as a sign of your gratitude to GOD of Peace.

Some people take for granted what they have gained, especially if it was handed over to them without their doing a lot of work. You see this sometimes in the offspring of individuals who worked hard to support their families. The children get used to the niceties of what their parents have given them. They do not fully appreciate all the hard work that has been done on their behalf. We are challenged to reflect on what our loving *Abba*-Father has given us and show our appreciation for all that we have been given by sharing with others what we have received.

Entering Canaan: Women's Day of Prayer and Healing Saturday, November 7, 2020

Are you or someone you know suffering the loss of a child through abortion? You are not alone. A Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2020 from 9 am – 5 pm. For more information and confidential registration, please call 225-325-3459 or email EnteringCanaan@diobr.org. All inquiries are confidential. Sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge – Office of Marriage & Family Life.

A Special Note on the Love Life Amendment

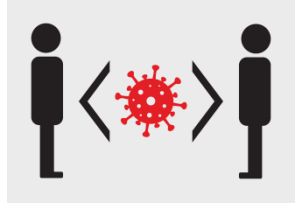
Bishop Duca and the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops have given their support to the [Love Life Amendment](#). Churches are able and encouraged to advocate in favor of this state constitutional amendment.

Fellow Parishioners:

It is time to put a good thing to rest. As you know, since the beginning of the pandemic we have been videoing our Sunday Eucharist and have been showing it on our website. Since we have moved into the next stage of allowing more people to gather, we will no longer be videoing our weekly Sunday Eucharist. Words cannot express the gratitude that we owe Chad Babin for the countless hours he volunteered his time and expertise to offer such a wonderful service to our community. Chad, from the bottom of our hearts we thank you for your wonderful stewardship to our community. We extend our gratitude not only for your taping the masses but also for being our webmaster.

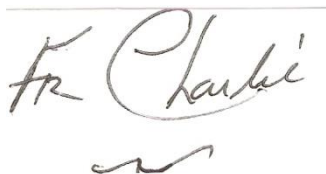


With more of us returning to Eucharist, we must still keep our safe distance and this is presenting a bit of a problem. Our church seating capacity is three hundred. I strongly recommend that we come to the front of the church where there is seating in the chairs on the left side as you face the altar. Deacon Kirk and I will be meeting to come up with a solution to this good problem. It is so good to see more people and to hear many say that they miss receiving Eucharist as well as missing worshipping with the members of our community.



I ask your love and patience as we move forward together. Remember our motto, "TOGETHER WE CAN." Together with God leading us and our working together, we can and we will.

May God continue blessing us as we move forward.

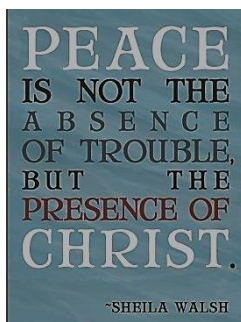


UPCOMING EVENTS

27th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
Sun.	04	8:00 a.m.	MASS
		10:00 a.m.	MASS
Mon.	05	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
		6:30 p.m.	Rel Ed Online
Tues.	06	7:00 a.m.	Men's Reflection Group
		8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass in Church
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration until 8 p.m.
Wed.	07	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
Thurs.	08	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
Fri.	09	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
Sat.	10	4:00 p.m.	VIGIL
28th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
Sun.	11	8:00 a.m.	MASS
		10:00 a.m.	MASS
		5:00 p.m.	Youth Group

Father Charlie will be on a retreat the week of Oct. 12-15.

Mon.	12	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
		6:30 p.m.	Rel Ed Online
Tues.	13	7:00 a.m.	Men's Reflection Group
		8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration until 8 p.m.
Wed.	14	8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Thurs.	15	8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Fri.	16	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
Sat.	17	9:00 a.m.	1 st Reconciliation Class/ PAC
		4:00 p.m.	VIGIL
29th Sunday of Ordinary Time			
Sun.	18	8:00 a.m.	MASS
		8:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
		10:00 a.m.	MASS
Mon.	19	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
		6:30 p.m.	Rel Ed Online
Tues.	20	7:00 a.m.	Men's Reflection Group
		8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass in Church
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration until 8 p.m.
		6:30 p.m.	Finance Comm. Meeting



DAILY READINGS

27th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9;

Matthew 21:33-43

Monday, October 05 Daily Readings

Galatians 1:6-12; Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 06 Daily Readings

Galatians 1:13-24; Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 07 Daily Readings

Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14; Luke 11:1-4

Thursday, October 08 Daily Readings

Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 11:5-13

Friday, October 09 Daily Readings

Galatians 3:7-14; Luke 11:15-26

Saturday, October 10 Daily Readings

Galatians 3:22-29; Luke 11:27-28

28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Isaiah 25:6-10a; Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20;

Matthew 22:1-14



Pray for our Sick and Homebounds: Frank Banta, Sr., Betty Jean Barbay, Phyllis Babin, Joan Chapman, Melissa Conrad, Joyce Crochet, Ruby Edmonston, Lily Fairchild, Eunice Fairchild, Carolyn Harelson, Mary Belle Landaiche, Michael & Carolyn (Punkin) Landaiche, Genie LaPlace, Eugene LeBlanc, Sr., Anthony & Bessie Pizzolato, Flory Reynolds, Catherine Sharp and Louise Thibodeaux. Include in your prayers all of the sick & suffering in our families especially those living in nursing homes.

Also, pray for peace in the world, & for all men and women in our armed forces.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR NAME REMOVED FROM THIS LIST, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

- 10/05 8:00 a.m. No Mass
- 10/06 8:00 a.m. Gueho Family & Linda; Michael Ragusa
Crochet-Amedee Families
- 10/07 8:00 a.m. Deceased of Ladies Altar Society
Larry & Frances Ann Peltier;
Peltier-Panepinto Families
- 10/08 8:00 a.m. Babin-Ruiz-Smith Families; Nezida Ruiz
Peltier-Landry-LeBlanc-Marchand Families
- 10/09 8:00 a.m. Trudy Panepinto; Panepinto-Wintz Families
- 10/10 4:00 p.m. Acosta-Ourso Families;
Chapman-Lapeyrolerie Families;
Amato-Alesci Families!; Cindelle Avants;
Bourgyne-Chanove Families;
Cambre-Babin-Merino Families; Emily Ramos
- 10/11 8:00 a.m. Harelson-Noel-Holliday Families;
Sheldon-Spedale Families
- 10:00 a.m. For the Parish
- 10/12 8:00 a.m. No Mass



Prayers for Hurricane Season



Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude; you are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control. The Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where a storm-less eternity awaits us. Amen.

Prayer for Protection against Storms and Hurricanes

Our Father in Heaven through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this Hurricane season from all harm. Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer to Avert Storms and Hurricanes



Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Calm the storms and hurricanes that threaten us and turn our fear of your power into praise of your goodness. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.